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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IRONSHORE SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

ν.

CEDAR GROVE COMPOSTING, INC., CEDAR GROVE COMPOSTING FACILITY, and CEDAR GROVE, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No.: 15-CV-975 (NRB)

DECLARATION OF ANTHONY I. GIACOBBE, JR.

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

ANTHONY I. GIACOBBE, JR., pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 and under the penalties of perjury, declares:

- 1. I am an attorney and of counsel to Zeichner Ellman & Krause LLP, attorneys for defendants Cedar Grove Composting, Inc., and a member of this Court. I make this declaration in support of Cedar Grove Composting, Inc.'s Motion for Determination of Proper Forum Under First-to-File Rule, and granting such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.
  - 2. Annexed as Exhibit A is a copy of the complaint in this action.

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3. Annexed as Exhibit B is a copy of the complaint in the

Washington Action.

4. Annexed as Exhibit C is a copy of the Declaration of John

Brigham ("Brigham Decl.") dated February 26, 2015, which was submitted to the

Western District of Washington in connection with Cedar Grove's pending first-to-file

motion.

5. Annexed as Exhibit D is a copy of the Environmental Excess

Liability Declarations Pages from the excess policy Ironshore issued to Cedar Grove.

6. Annexed as Exhibit E is a chart identifying the mirror image

allegations made in the Washington and New York Actions has been submitted to the

Western District of Washington in connection with the pending first-to-file motion.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 2, 2015

ANTHONY I. GIACOBBE, JR.